

# WILL ADJOURN NEXT THURSDAY

Senate and House Will Take a  
Christmas Holiday Until  
January 3d.

## THE PANAMA MESSAGE

President Will Report on the  
Conditions of the Canal  
To-Day.

WASHINGTON, D. C., December 16.—Both houses of Congress will adjourn next Thursday for the Christmas holidays, unless the Senate should change the program adopted by the House, which is not probable. The resolution of adjournment was sent over by the House this morning, taken up in the Senate, but it will probably be taken up on Monday morning. A meeting of the Senate Committee on Appropriations has been called for tomorrow morning, and there is little doubt that the resolution will be reported back and acted upon by the Senate early in the day. The House resolution calls for the reconvening of the two bodies on Thursday, January 3d.

The House has laid out a somewhat extended program for the time before the holiday adjournment, but little attention has been given to any arrangement of business for the Senate. In the House Monday will be devoted to the consideration of the bill for the order providing for the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus, and the remainder of the week will be given to legislation pertaining to the District of Columbia and to the bill making appropriations for the Indian Affairs. There are twenty or thirty bills on the District calendar, which Mr. Ribicoff, chairman of the District Committee, is very anxious to have passed, and he is counting on being able to get him sufficient time for their consideration. There will also be a strenuous effort to secure action upon the Indian appropriation bill. If there should be time left, the omnibus claims bill will be taken up.

### Deficiency Bill.

The urgent deficiency appropriation bill, which passed the House Saturday, is expected to receive the sanction of the Senate before the holiday adjournment. The provision in the bill, looking to the carrying into effect of the pure food law, is regarded by both the Senate and the House as really urgent. It is possible that the provision in the deficiency bill to meet the expenses of the intervention of this country in Cuba will provoke some debate, but otherwise the bill is expected to pass after a very brief consideration.

There is also a possibility of speeches by Senators Kittredge and Gault on their respective resolutions providing for formal reading of the Japanese situation, an inquiry into the Japanese situation, but while it is known that both Senators are preparing to discuss their resolutions it seems quite probable that they will postpone their remarks until after the holidays.

Much interest attaches in both houses to the various presidential messages, which, it is understood, will be sent to Congress during the week. The Panama message, detailing the President's observations on his recent visit to the canal zone and outlining his recommendations concerning the work there, is expected to receive no attention beyond its formal reading. The message of the four of five other communications which the President has promised for the week.

## SECRETARY TAFT ON PHILIPPINES

Says Conditions Have Improved  
Since Ladrone Bands Have  
Been Subdued.

WASHINGTON, December 16.—At a report of the annual report of Secretary Taft, made public last night, includes a report of the Philippine commission for the last fiscal year. Secretary Taft says conditions in the Philippines show improvement, and that in every part of the island except in the provinces of Leyte and Samar peace and tranquillity obtain. He says the capture and surrender of eight or ten of the leaders of Ladrone bands in the island of Luzon has brought about a better condition than ever before existed in the islands.

The reports point out the impetus given to agricultural operations and increase in the demands for farming property due to the destruction of these Ladrone bands. Secretary Taft refers to a report from General Wood, which says that it is "prudent to think that the trouble will be soon brought to an end."

The report says that on June 25 last the Philippine government had a surplus of \$1,500,000 gold.

"On the whole," it says, "the conditions in the Philippines give cause for satisfaction. What is most needed now is legislation from Congress which shall convince the Filipino people of the anxiety of the American people to aid them as far as possible to a prosperity which has been absent from the islands throughout the period of American occupation."

## AMERICAN DUCHESS HONORED BY THE KING

Former Miss May Goelert to Be  
Guest at "West  
Dean."

LONDON, December 16.—The young Duchess of Roxburgh, who was Miss May Goelert, has been admitted to the charmed circle of King Edward's women friends, whose qualifications must be wit and power to amuse His Majesty. The King made a special request, which was, of course, taken as a command, that the Duke and Duchess of Roxburgh should be invited as his fellow-guests at West Dean Park, the "Willie" James's place, in Sussex.

The latest American duchess thus takes her place among such brilliant women as the Duchess of Devonshire, Mrs. George Cornwallis West (Lady Randolph Churchill), Lady Curzon, the Dowager Duchess of Manchester and Mrs. George Keppel, whose society the King delights in because they are the reverse of horses.

The "country people" of Roxburgh find it difficult to get to the palace for only visiting outsiders to George Castle. The "latter nobility and gentry" living around Kelso are left out of the dual entertainments, and so the young Duke and Duchess are not popular in their own country.

# LAST WEEK FINISHED FINISHED

Miss Brinkhaus Writes Final Letter to Pupils Who Have  
Been Gathering Votes in Effort to Win  
Fine Art Prizes.

The Times-Dispatch,  
Department of Schoolroom Decoration.

Dear Pupils—Sitting in Room 3, Times Building, which commands such a fine view of Capitol Square, is not the best place perhaps in which to fix my attention upon the weekly letter, for the squirrels down in the Square are certainly very distracting. They are such happy, merry, frisky little fellows that they just make me look at them. I asked them this question: "What shall I write to you about this week?" One said, "Peanuts"; so it is easy enough to see that I was thinking of eating, and nothing else. I shook my head and said, "Why, the children can tell me more about peanuts than I can tell them." Just then a tiny fellow-squirrel spoke up and said, in a funny little voice, "Gardens," and gave me his reason that he enjoyed gardens, liked to see the flowers grow, and to watch the sun smile upon the leaves.

For a few minutes I was puzzled to know what kind of garden I would write about at this time of year, when the leaves and flowers are mostly gone to sleep—to rest until the birds call them in the spring. But all of a sudden inspiration whispered in my ear, "Why, that little fellow-squirrel means that the gardens shall be the children's hearts, and you and the children must plant seeds and care for the flowers that grow from them. Aren't you all excited to get our gardens under way?" I am, let's begin now. I can't wait. The first step is to choose the plots, and inspiration said that our hearts shall be our garden plots. In order to keep out stray wanderers in the shape of apertures of forgetfulness, selfishness, impatience and lack of faith, who might trample upon our delicate flowers when they have planted, we must have fences around our gardens. These fences shall be Love and Trust.

Taking some seeds in our hands, let's plant first those of Remembrance. When the blossoms come they will help us always to remember to do the right thing at the right time, cheerfully. They will help us always to be thoughtful of others—our parents, teachers, classmates, friends.

These are another package of seeds for your planting. The picture on the envelope is that of a red, blushing rose, and underneath it is printed "Flowers of Generosity." Ah, if we plant seeds of generosity, I know what the results will be, don't you. The roses will come, blushing because Generosity is modest about heralding its deeds, and after the roses have fulfilled their mission in life, just as you and I must in ours, the petals will drop softly and soon the seeds of Generosity will be scattered over the land, and you can tell how far the influence of our first sowing will reach!

In another part of our gardens, let's have flowers of Faith. They will help us to bear our hardships and to help us to help others along some hard road, and in helping others, we shall help ourselves; help us to be meek and humble of heart.

There is lots of room in the gardens of our hearts for many, many more flowers to grow, but at this time we will choose just one more for our planting, and you will let me choose for you, won't you? It is the flower that will help the poorest to grow that is my choice—the flower of Faith. The flowers of Faith give us absolute belief in God and confidence that he knows best in sending us sorrow with the joys, as He sometimes does. Faith flowers are good for the "grown-ups," heart gardens, as well as for the children, as are also all the other flowers we have planted, but in the children's gardens the flowers of Faith give us belief in our parents and teachers as well as in God.

Every garden needs sunshine and rain in order that the blossoms may thrive, as in the gardens of our hearts the blossoms are supplied by sunshine little seeds called "Dispositions." The rain will be Mercy, a rain that human flowers need so much at times, and with which teachers so often shower their pupils. So now we have the sunshine and the rain, and the gardens of our hearts, and we know that the flowers of Faith, Generosity, Patience and Faith will lift their heads and grow till the whole world will be better for the planting of these gardens of ours.

In every city that I have visited the children and teachers have been more or less excited over the planning of school gardens. So far in Richmond, Manchester and Henric, a county, I have not heard of quite so much about them, perhaps, as I should. My dear little friends, let's try to make our hearts that we have planted today will be the best school gardens in the world, don't you?

With love and best wishes for every little worker in the Great Contest for Schoolroom Decorations, I am  
Your friend,  
GERTRUDE L. BRINKHAUS,  
Director.

of Mr. William Thorpe, of Twenty-second Street.

Mrs. Carman, of Twenty-second Street, who has been visiting in Fayetteville, N. C., has returned home. She was called to the bedside of her mother, who is still quite ill.

Mrs. Maxine Booth and little daughter, of Chester, S. C., have returned home after a very pleasant visit to her brother, Mr. J. H. Booth, of Fayetteville, N. C.

Mrs. Melville Morrison, of King William county, visited her brother, Mr. L. B. Morrison, of Twenty-second Street, on Saturday.

Mr. R. W. Walter Beadles continues quite ill in his home on Twenty-second Street, and is expected to remain there for some time.

Mrs. J. R. Rogers, of Glen Allen, recently visited Mrs. S. R. Garry, of Fairmount Avenue.

The following ladies from Fairmount Methodist Church have been appointed as a committee to assist in serving the Christmas dinner at the church, Mrs. J. Russell Gentry and Miss Linda Jeter.

Mrs. A. A. Rose, of Twenty-second Street, who has been visiting in Henric, has returned home.

Rev. R. B. Beadles, of Twenty-second Street, is convalescing from his recent illness.

Mr. Sanders, of Athens, Ala., stopped over several days with his family at the Rev. R. B. Beadles' place, where he is on his way to New York on business. He has left for Washington, D. C., where he will be joined by his wife, Mrs. Annie Sanders, who has been spending some time here.

Mrs. George S. Squire, of Richmond, who has been visiting in Henric, has returned home.

Mrs. William Sickle, of Fairmount, has returned home.

Mrs. J. C. Lincey, of Lincey, Va., is spending some time with her aunt, Mrs. Tyler.

Mrs. Theodore Durbin has been confined to her bed for several days by a cold.

Miss Maggie and Catherine Peyton have returned to their home in the county where they have been visiting.

Miss Minnie Crowder, who has been very ill in the Maryland University Hospital, is improving slowly.

Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy and children, of Henric county, who have been spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beadles, have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Watkins and little son, Leola, have returned home.

Miss Kate Jones, of New York, was the guest of Mrs. J. C. Garry, of Fairmount Avenue, recently. She also visited her sister, Mrs. J. R. Rogers, of Glen Allen.

Mrs. Julian Binford and Miss Julia England, together with Miss Ottilie White, who has charge of the little children, are performing arrangements for the Christmas entertainment of the Fairmount Baptist Sunday school. These ladies are preparing an attractive program, and the children are working hard to make the affair a success.

Mr. C. M. Melton, of Bermuda Hundred, who has been visiting her brother, Mr. W. T. Beadles, of Twenty-second Street, has returned home after a pleasant visit.

All People Exuberant Over the  
Thought of Coming  
Christmas.

## A GREAT PARADE GROUND

Kindly Railery and Gentle Wit  
Hold All Hearts in  
Crush.

A spirit of good nature, gaiety and happiness has taken hold upon the good people of Richmond, happily in keeping with this season of the year, and on Broad Street, the grand parade ground of merry crowds, one may see it sparkling and effervescent in sheer excess of itself every night.

On Saturday night, when the stores kept open until 11 o'clock, as usual, this happy spirit was especially predominant. Young people surged up and down the street in two opposite tides, and the stream of humanity fairly bubbled and overflowed with an effervescent exuberance.

Yuletide, with its thought of the over-coming mistletoe, its green and red bolls, the great log on the fire and the merriment of the time is in the air, and no one, least be a grumpy ascetic who has never tasted the joy of living, and passes all his time in cynical comment upon the good people of this old, old, happy world, but feels good thoughts, happy thoughts and kind feelings arising in his heart.

Everywhere is the spirit of railery, good-natured and kind, and wit, without its caustic sharpness, and festive humor that goes only the best in time to laugh at and holds the human heart in a seash of kindness.

Holiday Near at Hand.

Christmas is only a week away, and few there be who realize that within another eight days will dawn the greatest day of all the year, when man, woman and child will live and act in the light of awakening on that happy morning to see what friends have remembered him or her. Already the young men of the house, whether it be noble or plebeian, in beginning to grow old expectancy and to the life of sleepless, for fear that perhaps, Santa Claus, because he has to visit so many millions of homes, may forget to come down his chimney or pass through his list of keepers.

From the hundred stores on Broad Street a sheen of light dances out upon a moving crowd, and will do so every night this week, even until midnight on Monday—Christmas Eve—when the presents will have been brought and hidden away until the morning, and the turkey safely housed, whence they may never strut in pride and dignity again. Though the days have been warm, and it has seemed more unlike Christmas than in any year since before the world-old Christmas enthusiasm and warmth of heart have crept out of their long hibernation and taken utter and absolute possession of the hearts of all.

Through hundreds are out every night in anxious pursuit of something suitable to buy to give to some one else, there are thousands more who are out merely for the joy of living, to come in contact with their fellows to feel the pulses of all humanity that, after all is said and done, find in the holiday spirit of the year.

There is no other time in the year when the underlying bonds of humanity are so clearly exposed and made naked to the eyes of the world; and any night now on Broad Street one may see the landowners goaded women of society brushing elbows with her sister of a more humble walk of life and sending her a glance of kindness instead of the more usual glance of stare. All guile and all artificial lines of demarcation between classes are forgotten, and a kindly spirit prevails among those who seek the gay companionship and a real touch of humanity on Broad Street of nights.

Perhaps there are quite little flirtations on the side, but where's the harm? A pair of thinking, sparkling eyes peeps out from behind a fur, and, if the rest of the face is in accord, the result is what man is there who would not betray a momentary interest—and smile? They are soon forgotten, these mild flirtations, for Yuletide comes but once a year, and after New Year comes a more sober day, when the world's wheels back into the old grooves and the wheels of time roll on as if nothing had ever happened to mar the serenity of their course.

BEGS IMPRISONMENT  
INSTEAD OF DEATH

NEW YORK, December 16.—The World to-morrow will say:  
"Lawyer Albert Patrick, under sentence for murder, has signed a petition to Governor Higgins, begging him to commute the death sentence to life imprisonment."

The final appeal to the Governor was signed tonight by Patrick in the death house.

A Seven-Foot Hercules.

SEATTLE, December 16.—Tacoma has a Hercules, named Ole Nestad, recently arrived from Norway. He is seven feet high, weighs 250 pounds, and is twenty-seven years old. He knows nothing of pushing about with one hand ears loaded with a sack of flour.

As a rule, laborers pick up one or two boards at a time. Ole takes up an armful of boards at a time, and as if it were child's play. Although he is the work of two men, the rules of the union hold him to the regular per diem rate. He is a light eater.

One of the biggest attractions to be seen in this city the entire season will appear at the Academy Saturday, matinee and night, when Richard Carle's and J. J. Hearty's great Western operatic comedy success, "The Tenderfoot," with Oscar L. Plamen, will be heard. The music of this opera is so characteristic of the Southwest, with its dash and swing and picturesqueness, that it has made the piece a great favorite generally. The wit is clear-cut and incisive, and Mr. Plamen is hailed as one of the greatest of light opera comedians on account of his fine work in it.

Miss Ruth White's splendid soprano voice is heard to great advantage in the character of Marion. The cast is a strong one, and the chorus some-what noted for its beauty. The company numbers nearly seventy people.

At the Bijou.

The new Hebrew comedy-drama, by Charles E. Blaney, entitled "Old Isaac from the Bowery," which will be seen at the Bijou this week, has its scenes laid in New York. The action of the play deals with the life of an old immigrant man, who was noted for his wit and generosity and interest for his fellow-people.

The new play will also introduce a new star in the person of Harry First, who gained considerable fame in the part of Father Abraham in "The Child of New York," and being of Hebrew extraction, he is fully qualified to do justice to the character of Old Isaac.

Wright Lorimer Coming.

Mr. Wright Lorimer, in his impersonation of David, the post-shepherd-warrior King of Israel, in the splendid production of the romantic drama, "The Shepherd King," will soon be seen in this city. This production is under the management of the Shalimar Theatre, and is surrounded by Mr. Lorimer with a supporting company of 50 people. Mr. Lorimer is a scholarly player, who is at all times consistent in his work. He has a fine voice, and an artistic value, and is fitted with unusual artistic ability. In the four years he has played David, the character of the sweet singer has grown upon him, until at the present time his impersonation is a fine piece of histrionic work. In the beauty of the scenery and the splendor of its mounting, "The Shepherd King" enjoys the distinction of being one of the most notable productions the stage has ever seen.

The setting of the great artistic value, and each one is a triumph of harmonious color. The costumes are also of singular magnificence. Mr. Lorimer's supporting company numbers 50 players, prominent among whom are Carl Eckstrom, Richard Hales, Mark Tye, Daniel Fisher, May Buckler, Nedra Reed, Margaret Hayward and Marian Ward.

Mrs. Wiggs Again.

Among the more important engagements that have been scheduled to appear this season at the Academy of Music is the well known stage picture of optimism, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Calico Patch," which will be seen here January 2nd and 3rd. Messrs. Lubler & Co. have arranged that Mrs. Wiggs will continue in the role, which is considered one of the best character roles on the stage to-day.

President in Virginia.

WASHINGTON, December 16.—President Roosevelt, his brother-in-law, Douglas Robinson, of New York, and the President's son, Archie, spent two hours horseback riding this afternoon. They rode over into Virginia and the return trip the White House was made in the rain.

SENOR ENRIQUE C. CREEL  
IS MEXICAN AMBASSADOR

CITY OF MEXICO, December 14.—It has been officially announced by the Mexican government that Enrique C. Creel, Governor of the State of Chihuahua, has been appointed Mexican ambassador to the United States. Senator Creel is of American descent, and is one of the wealthiest and most progressive men of the republic.

In 1906 28,403 Germans emigrated to foreign countries, 28,403 going to the United States.

Among the household of the Chinese Emperor are thirty physicians, seventy-five astrologers, twenty-five cooks and six priests.

# THE REMINGTON Art Calendar for 1907

A thoroughly American Calendar—an American Artist, American Publisher, and American subjects. Every American lover of breadth, life, action, and color will want this calendar. Five three-color reproductions from some of Frederic Remington's best paintings of the great West, including the famous "Indian Head," "The Parley," "The Pioneers," "The Stampede," and "Pony Tracks in the Buffalo Trail."

Each picture is tipped on a handsome brown mount—all held together by a beautiful silk cord. Calendar size, 12 x 18 inches. Packed flat in boxes, \$2.00 each.

The original paintings of these subjects have lately been exhibited in the principal art galleries of New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Washington, Cleveland, and Grand Rapids.

Four Superb Color Pictures in the  
Maxfield Parrish Calendar for 1907

This is unquestionably one of the most beautiful calendars ever produced. The subjects are three-color reproductions and include "Spring," "Summer," and "Harvest"—the best of Mr. Parrish's recent paintings—now being exhibited in the principal American art galleries.

Printed and mounted on fine art paper and bound with heavy tasseled silk cord. Calendar size, 15 x 21 inches. Flat in boxes, \$2.50 list.

Go to the best art, picture, stationery, book, or department store in your town and ask for these calendars. Insist upon seeing them. They have them or can get them.

If they will not get copies for you send money-order direct to us and we will ship calendars boxed, and packed flat, express charges prepaid.

When the calendars have served their purpose, each subject may be framed—making handsome pictures for the den, library, or parlor.

CALENDAR DEPARTMENT  
P. F. COLLIER & SON  
414 West Thirteenth St., New York

BE SURE AND READ COUPON

Would you like a copy of the new calendar of the Collier and Sons, containing the regulations, in full, and the names of the artists, and many other leading American artists? If you will send us five recent stamps in exchange, we will mail you a copy free of charge.

MAILED PAID, JAMES W. COLLIER & SON, NEW YORK

BRIEF TALES AROUND TOWN

Deaf Witness Baffled Commonwealth's Attorney; "Skidoo" Figures in High Finance; Pretty Debutante Discourses Upon Wild Animals.

In the common parlance, the ordinary slang of the day, one hears "Skidoo" and "Twenty-three" (which are said to mean the same thing) so often that it is almost a cliché. The word "Skidoo" is a word of awakening on that happy morning to see what friends have remembered him or her. Already the young men of the house, whether it be noble or plebeian, in beginning to grow old expectancy and to the life of sleepless, for fear that perhaps, Santa Claus, because he has to visit so many millions of homes, may forget to come down his chimney or pass through his list of keepers.

From the hundred stores on Broad Street a sheen of light dances out upon a moving crowd, and will do so every night this week, even until midnight on Monday—Christmas Eve—when the presents will have been brought and hidden away until the morning, and the turkey safely housed, whence they may never strut in pride and dignity again. Though the days have been warm, and it has seemed more unlike Christmas than in any year since before the world-old Christmas enthusiasm and warmth of heart have crept out of their long hibernation and taken utter and absolute possession of the hearts of all.

Through hundreds are out every night in anxious pursuit of something suitable to buy to give to some one else, there are thousands more who are out merely for the joy of living, to come in contact with their fellows to feel the pulses of all humanity that, after all is said and done, find in the holiday spirit of the year.

There is no other time in the year when the underlying bonds of humanity are so clearly exposed and made naked to the eyes of the world; and any night now on Broad Street one may see the landowners goaded women of society brushing elbows with her sister of a more humble walk of life and sending her a glance of kindness instead of the more usual glance of stare. All guile and all artificial lines of demarcation between classes are forgotten, and a kindly spirit prevails among those who seek the gay companionship and a real touch of humanity on Broad Street of nights.

Perhaps there are quite little flirtations on the side, but where's the harm? A pair of thinking, sparkling eyes peeps out from behind a fur, and, if the rest of the face is in accord, the result is what man is there who would not betray a momentary interest—and smile? They are soon forgotten, these mild flirtations, for Yuletide comes but once a year, and after New Year comes a more sober day, when the world's wheels back into the old grooves and the wheels of time roll on as if nothing had ever happened to mar the serenity of their course.

BEGS IMPRISONMENT  
INSTEAD OF DEATH

NEW YORK, December 16.—The World to-morrow will say:  
"Lawyer Albert Patrick, under sentence for murder, has signed a petition to Governor Higgins, begging him to commute the death sentence to life imprisonment."

The final appeal to the Governor was signed tonight by Patrick in the death house.

A Seven-Foot Hercules.

SEATTLE, December 16.—Tacoma has a Hercules, named Ole Nestad, recently arrived from Norway. He is seven feet high, weighs 250 pounds, and is twenty-seven years old. He knows nothing of pushing about with one hand ears loaded with a sack of flour.

As a rule, laborers pick up one or two boards at a time. Ole takes up an armful of boards at a time, and as if it were child's play. Although he is the work of two men, the rules of the union hold him to the regular per diem rate. He is a light eater.

One of the biggest attractions to be seen in this city the entire season will appear at the Academy Saturday, matinee and night, when Richard Carle's and J. J. Hearty's great Western operatic comedy success, "The Tenderfoot," with Oscar L. Plamen, will be heard. The music of this opera is so characteristic of the Southwest, with its dash and swing and picturesqueness, that it has made the piece a great favorite generally. The wit is clear-cut and incisive, and Mr. Plamen is hailed as one of the greatest of light opera comedians on account of his fine work in it.

Miss Ruth White's splendid soprano voice is heard to great advantage in the character of Marion. The cast is a strong one, and the chorus some-what noted for its beauty. The company numbers nearly seventy people.

At the Bijou.

The new Hebrew comedy-drama, by Charles E. Blaney, entitled "Old Isaac from the Bowery," which will be seen at the Bijou this week, has its scenes laid in New York. The action of the play deals with the life of an old immigrant man, who was noted for his wit and generosity and interest for his fellow-people.

The new play will also introduce a new star in the person of Harry First, who gained considerable fame in the part of Father Abraham in "The Child of New York," and being of Hebrew extraction, he is fully qualified to do justice to the character of Old Isaac.

Wright Lorimer Coming.

Mr. Wright Lorimer, in his impersonation of David, the post-shepherd-warrior King of Israel, in the splendid production of the romantic drama, "The Shepherd King," will soon be seen in this city. This production is under the management of the Shalimar Theatre, and is surrounded by Mr. Lorimer with a supporting company of 50 people. Mr. Lorimer is a scholarly player, who is at all times consistent in his work. He has a fine voice, and an artistic value, and is fitted with unusual artistic ability. In the four years he has played David, the character of the sweet singer has grown upon him, until at the present time his impersonation is a fine piece of histrionic work. In the beauty of the scenery and the splendor of its mounting, "The Shepherd King" enjoys the distinction of being one of the most notable productions the stage has ever seen.

The setting of the great artistic value, and each one is a triumph of harmonious color. The costumes are also of singular magnificence. Mr. Lorimer's supporting company numbers 50 players, prominent among whom are Carl Eckstrom, Richard Hales, Mark Tye, Daniel Fisher, May Buckler, Nedra Reed, Margaret Hayward and Marian Ward.

Mrs. Wiggs Again.

Among the more important engagements that have been scheduled to appear this season at the Academy of Music is the well known stage picture of optimism, "Mrs. Wiggs of the Calico Patch," which will be seen here January 2nd and 3rd. Messrs. Lubler & Co. have arranged that Mrs. Wiggs will continue in the role, which is considered one of the best character roles on the stage to-day.

President in Virginia.

WASHINGTON, December 16.—President Roosevelt, his brother-in-law, Douglas Robinson, of New York, and the President's son, Archie, spent two hours horseback riding this afternoon. They rode over into Virginia and the return trip the White House was made in the rain.

# A Kinas Suggestion

A thoroughly American Calendar—an American Artist, American Publisher, and American subjects. Every American lover of breadth, life, action, and color will want this calendar. Five three-color reproductions from some of Frederic Remington's best paintings of the great West, including the famous "Indian Head," "The Parley," "The Pioneers," "The Stampede," and "Pony Tracks in the Buffalo Trail."

Each picture is tipped on a handsome brown mount—all held together by a beautiful silk cord. Calendar size, 12 x 18 inches. Packed flat in boxes, \$2.00 each.

The original paintings of these subjects have lately been exhibited in the principal art galleries of New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Washington, Cleveland, and Grand Rapids.

Four Superb Color Pictures in the  
Maxfield Parrish Calendar for 1907

This is unquestionably one of the most beautiful calendars ever produced. The subjects are three-color reproductions and include "Spring," "Summer," and "Harvest"—the best of Mr. Parrish's recent paintings—now being exhibited in the principal American art galleries.

Printed and mounted on fine art paper and bound with heavy tasseled silk cord. Calendar size, 15 x 21 inches. Flat in boxes, \$2.50 list.

Go to the best art, picture, stationery, book, or department store in your town and ask for these calendars. Insist upon seeing them. They have them or can get them.

If they will not get copies for you send money-order direct to us and we will ship calendars boxed, and packed flat, express charges prepaid.

When the calendars have served their purpose, each subject may be framed—making handsome pictures for the den, library, or parlor.

CALENDAR DEPARTMENT  
P. F. COLLIER & SON  
414 West Thirteenth St., New York

BE SURE AND READ COUPON

Would you like a copy of the new calendar of the Collier and Sons, containing the regulations, in full, and the names of the artists, and many other leading American artists? If you will send us five recent stamps in exchange, we will mail you a copy free of charge.

MAILED PAID, JAMES W. COLLIER & SON, NEW YORK